

DISTRICT III ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

7:00 p.m.

Colvin Neighborhood City Hall, 2820 S. Roosevelt

Members Present

Matt Foley

John Kemp

Jim Gulick

Lois Ann Newman

Judy Dillard

Phyllis Hall

Bill Ward

Council Member Phil Lambke

Chantelle Brennan

Members Absent

Jim Skelton

Phil Bloomquist

Gene Fuhr

Staff

Vicki Mork

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Phil Lambke called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes/Agenda

Motion was made to approve minutes as read.

Action: Approved by vote of 8-0. Newman(Ward)

Motion was made to approve agenda.

Action: Approved by vote of 8-0. Ward(Gulick)

Public Agenda

1. **Paul Weigand**, 1141 Denker spoke to DAB III. He has owned Shooter's Club at 2726 S. Hydraulic for 13 years. He owns property up to the corner of Hydraulic and Wassal and wants to put in a car lot. His previous zoning request was denied by the City Council. He explained he was appearing before the DAB meeting, as he was still interested in having a car lot on his property and was trying to gauge the support of area residents before spending the money for another zoning request change. He brought Mr. Sumpter to the meeting; he is a neighbor to the property and has no objection to the use of the property as a car lot.
Matt Foley says he recalls the Comprehensive Plan calls for car lots to be located on Broadway and along Kellogg. However, he has noticed others have been allowed at Douglas & West and Douglas & Hillside. He concluded by saying the situation should be given fair and just consideration and if the South City Neighborhood Association supports a car lot at Hydraulic and Wassal he would too.

John Kemp stated he talked to 3 or 4 tenants from the area in question and he found that the neighbors had no objection. John says he has no objection either in that case. **Paul Weigand** asked for input or feedback from the DAB board as to whether they supported him or not. **Council Member Lambke** said that DAB would make a ruling if and when Mr. Weigand applied for another zoning change.

Park and Recreation Department

2. **Leah Hoffman**, Superintendent of the South Division of Park and Recreation Department spoke to DAB III. She presented documents drawn up by the City's legal division for the Adopt A Park and the Adopt A Median program. They are looking for assistance in maintaining the city's public parks from corporations, individuals, or businesses. She was specifically looking for input from the DAB in ways to make the documents more user friendly. Leah says the idea behind the concept is that for example a boy scout troop may want to take responsibility for picking up the trash for a part of a park or a specific median. The same could apply to a company or a neighborhood. **Jim Gulick** asked if a willing person or organization had to agree to every provision on the agreement but Leah said the form would be tailored to the specific level of activity desired by the participant. **Phyllis Hall** wanted to make sure an interested person could choose what they wanted to do and Leah reassured her that that was the case. Leah went on to explain that the legalese, the shoulds, the musts etc would be taken out so the form would be less intimidating to interested organizations and groups. **Judy Dillard** asked what happened if a group signed up to maintain a certain park but was no longer able to fulfill that responsibility, Leah said it was not a problem that she should be notified but that's all. **Jim Gulick** suggested that the time limit be established for a one year period. It was the overall consensus of the DAB that the document should be rewritten in a much more friendly style and not so authoritarian. DAB liked the concept of adopting a park but wanted the document to be more kindly written. **Lois Ann Newman** asked about the railroad right-of-way on Bayley Street, Leah says they're trying to work with the railroad but they have not been terribly cooperative.

Board Agenda

3. **Officer Jamie Crouch** gave a presentation regarding recent efforts on Community Policing and crime prevention. He said his recent Planeview Survey on crime was a very worthwhile endeavor. He said the officers conducted the survey on a cold Saturday morning but the residents warmly welcomed them. In fact the residents were so eager to visit with the police officers it took longer to conduct the survey. It revealed that burglaries were the most significant crime in the neighborhood. Jamie also passed out a Personal Property Inventory sheet he makes it available to residents in the neighborhood requesting they record the serial numbers of their property. Being able to identify property is one of the most effective deterrents against crime for anyone. The Police Department has an engraver available for public use with a \$10 deposit. Officer Crouch

said if homeowners would keep records of personal property in a safe place it greatly increases the chance of property recovery.

Overall the results revealed the following about resident concerns: 10% had no concerns, 6% concerned about burglaries; 6% concerned about speeding & traffic, loose & barking dogs; 6% concerned about trash in yards; 4% concerned about party houses and parking and 3% were concerned with retaliation, drug houses and loud car stereos. There are 3,800 residents living in Planeview and if neighbors would take the time to meet their neighbors it would be a step towards building a unified neighborhood. Officer Crouch sees policing changing with the times. DAB board member **Matt Foley** commended Officer Crouch for his efforts. DAB member **Judy Dillard** asked if the WPD was still experiencing a shortage of police officers, **Officer Crouch** replied that new officers would soon graduate from the Police Academy.

4. **Jim Gulick and John Kemp** attended the Wichita Assembly on returning offenders to the community the last weekend of January. John provided a brief report saying drug and alcohol treatment and rehabilitation programs were critical for those incarcerated. He said he would present the written report of the proceedings when he received it.
5. **John Kemp** also reported the K-15 Association was changing the location of their monthly meetings and effective Monday, February 25, 2002 they would meet at Colvin Neighborhood City Hall at 7 p.m.
6. **Council member Lambke** reminded DAB board members they could put forth initiatives from their neighborhoods. **Judy Dillard** said more parking was needed at Emory Park for the bicycle racers. **CM Lambke** said a formal plan was needed. He reminded the DAB III board members that \$15 million was voted towards river beautification and without initiatives money would not necessarily be earmarked for projects in other parts of the city. **Judy Dillard** announced the South Wichita Haysville plan is to be heard by the MAPC on February 21, 2002. **CM Lambke** said South Wichita needed to be promoted.
7. **John Kemp** suggested all Neighborhood Associations be invited to the next DAB meeting so they may hear the report from the Wichita Assembly.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting **Foley (Gulick)** at 8:37 p.m. Passed 8-0.

Visitors

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| Betty Strickland | 1302 Galena |
| Annette Mapes | 1314 Galena |
| Paul Weigand | 1141 Denker |
| Eldon Sumpter | 2754 Greenwood |
| Officer Jeff Andres | WPD |
| Ross & Sharon Ailsieger | 1421 S. Lark Lane |
| Officer Virgil Miller | WPD |
| Lonny Wright | 2320 Alameda |
| Melody Stucky | 2756 Mason |